

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2003-221-C - ORDER NO. 2005-525
OCTOBER 3, 2005

IN RE: Rufus Watson, Bay Meadows Homeowners Association, Complainants)	ORDER DISMISSING
vs.)	COMPLAINT
Horry Telephone Cooperative, Incorporated,)	
Respondent.)	
)	
)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Petition of the Complainants Rufus Watson and Bay Meadow Homeowners Association (“BMHA”). The issue in this case involves the rates charged by the Respondent Horry Telephone Cooperative, Incorporated (“Horry”) to Watson and BMHA for the use of pool and elevator telephones.

In Order No. 2004-466 this Commission found that there was a potential for far reaching ramifications of an Order concerning the issues raised by the Complainants on both Horry and other telephone companies in this State. The Commission, therefore, ordered a generic proceeding and established Docket No. 2005-15-C to consider the general question of rate classifications and rate structures charged by telephone service providers for pool and elevator telephone lines.

A hearing was held in Docket No. 2005-15-C on April 13, 2005. At this hearing the Commission heard testimony and received evidence from numerous interested parties, including the Complainants, concerning rates charged for public swimming pool and elevator telephone lines. On July 19, 2005, the Commission voted to take no action

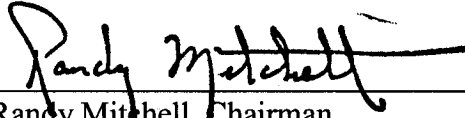
regarding the generic docket and the rate classification or rate structure for telephone lines in elevators and in proximity to public swimming pools and Order No. 2005-413 was issued to that effect on August 31, 2005.

In light of the Commission's vote to take no action in the generic docket which was created to consider the precise issues raised here, the Commission finds that the initial Complaint in this matter should now be dismissed. Having previously considered the issue of the rate classifications in question, and having provided the Complainants and other interested parties the opportunity to present testimony and evidence in support of their respective positions in Docket No. 2005-15-C, there is no need to revisit the rate classification issues raised in the present action.

The Complaint of Rufus Watson and BMHA against Horry is, therefore,
Dismissed.

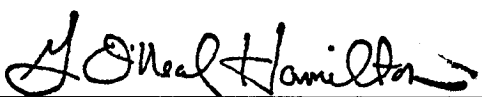
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the
Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice-Chairman

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